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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Sixty miners reported killed by an explosion of coal damp at Carbonado, near Tacoma, Wash. —— Initial steps for the unification of the S. A. L. railroad system were taken at a meeting held in Raleigh yesterday. —The Kentucky election commissioners yesterday gave the certificate to W. S. Taylor and declared him to be Governor-elect. —— Representative-elect Roberts was before the committee appointed to investigate his case. —— Gen. Del Pilar, commanding Aguinaldo's body-guard, was killed in a fight on the 3rd inst. by Major March's battalion, which is still pursuing the Filipinos. —— The next annual reunion of United Confederate Veterans will be held at Louisville, Ky., May 30th. —New York markets: Money on call quoted steady at 4@6 per cent., last loan at 6 per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 7 7 16c; flour dull but steady; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 74½c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 40½c; oats—spot steady, No. 2 29½c; rosin steady, strained common to good $1 40 @1.45; spirit turpentine quiet at 51@ 51½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 9.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 38 degrees; 8 P. M., 51 degrees; maximum, 58 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 48 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .06.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M 4 7 feet.

Port Almanac---Dec. 10.

Sun Rises	7 03 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 43 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 40 M.
High Water at Southport	1 32 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	5.02 A. M.

Mr. Graw, the opera engineer, says he lost $20,000 in twenty-two performances in Chicago, and is growling about it.

Some of the Republican papers are discanting on "cheap money." Cheap rot. Cheap money is about the last thing the average man in this country runs up against.

It cost Uncle Sam the past fiscal year $6,610,776.75 more to run the P. O. Department than he took in from it, and yet he threw a lot of Brother Atkinson's stuff out of the mails.

It is said that the British army management in South Africa lacks strategy, and that their victories are won by sheer hard fighting, and the other fellows give them all of that they want.

Paderewski, the pianist, has arrived in this country, with a wife and minus his big shock of hair. Sensible fellow. A head of hair like he wore would have been a great temptation in case of domestic misunderstandings.

Senator Clay, of Georgia, has introduced a bill in the Senate providing for a constitutional amendment to remove the obstacles to an income tax. The last income tax law was inoperative, because pronounced unconstitutional.

White wives are at a premium among the swarthy denizens of South Africa. It is said the Boers are offering them white wives as an inducement to join them in the racket against John Bull, and lots of them are tumbling at the offer.

The three leading Southern cotton-manufacturing States are South Carolina, with 75 mills, 1,285,328 spindles, consuming 438,876 bales; North Carolina, with 168 mills, 1,003,268 spindles, consuming 380,231 bales, and Georgia, with 67 mills, 696,394 spindles, consuming 280,177 bales.

The English people are becoming very much riled over the liberties the French illustrated papers are taking with their queen, who seems just now to be a favorite subject of the caricaturist. They propose to cut the Paris exposition on account of those Victorian cuts in the French papers.

A Hungarian in Pennsylvania is in a strange predicament. He got sick, was sent to a hospital and a fellow Hun., who was hungry for his job, forged a certificate of his death and got the job. The sick man recovered, but he can't recover his lost job until he proves that he isn't dead.

Lace ties 59c. and 89c. for ladies, are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co. See them. †

The best Kid Gloves for $1.00 a pair are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Grandest assortment of Xmas Goods at Rehder's. †

Go to Rehder's for Fancy Goods. †

Go to Rehder's for Toys. †

LOCAL DOTS.

— The new Delgado cotton mill, which will be started up about the 15t of January, has orders months ahead for its cloths.

— The steamers *Skuld*, *Baron Innerdale*, barque *River Thames* and schooner *Ira B. Ellems* passed out from Southport yesterday.

— Attention is called to the statement of The National Bank of Wilmington. It shows capital and surplus, $118,000; deposits, $287,000; loans and discounts, $225,000.

— The steamer *E. A. Hawes*, Capt. Smith, cleared at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Clear Run, on Black river. The *Seabright* came in last evening from Little River, S. C.

— Justice Bornemann yesterday tried Sam Waters, colored, for failing to support his wife. The warrant was at length withdrawn and the defendant was released upon payment of costs.

— Mr. J. W. Barnes, Jr., received a telegram from Messrs. Phillips & Sons, New York, last night, stating that the market for lettuce is more encouraging for Monday. Half barrel baskets for fancy lettuce are quoted at $2 or better.

— Mr. H. E. Bonitz, the architect, has made plans for a nice $1,800 residence which Mr. John C. Bresch will erect right away on Princess street next east of Dr. J. H. Dreher's residence, between Eighth and Ninth streets.

— John Shields and Alex. Fuller were each fined $10 in the police court yesterday for an affray near corner Fourth and Princess streets. They are employes of the Bell Telephone Co., and a reference to their "bout" was made in yesterday's STAR.

— The schooner *Wm. F. Campbell*, Capt. Strout, cleared yesterday afternoon for Humacoa, Porto Rico, with lumber from the Chadbourn Lumber Co. When she sails, there will then not be left a schooner in port, though several are past due and are expected to arrive early this week.

— The advertisement of Messrs. Williams Bros., one of the leading wholesale grocery houses of Wilmington, will be found in the STAR. In addition to their regular lines of goods they handle immense quantities of rice straw, of which they will have a large stock during the present week.

— Fireman G. T. Williamson, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and R. H. King and Jno. King, of Engine Company No. 1, returned yesterday afternoon from a hunting expedition near Hampstead, on the W. & N. railroad. They bagged one large wild turkey, 36 squirrels, four rabbits and a general variety of birds.

— Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son yesterday afternoon cleared another cotton steamer for a foreign port. She was the British tramp *Baron Innerdale*, Capt. McNeill, and had a cargo of 12,367 bales, valued at $470,000, for Bremen, Germany. There are now left at Messrs. Sprunt & Son's compresses three other foreign steamers for cargoes.

— Mr. Jas. H. Taylor, recognizing the value of the STAR as a medium through which to communicate with the public, calls attention this morning to his facilities for furnishing coal and wood, and suggests that it is better for consumers to lay in their supplies now than to wait until the real winter, with its rain, snow and ice, is upon us.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

A. Shrier—Neckwear.
Solomon—Shoe polish.
At Rehders'—Santa Claus.
M. H. Curran—Xmas advice.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Christmas.
Vollers & Hashagen.—Cigars.
Dingelhoef Bros.—Xmas gifts.
Opera House—Myths of Greece.
Notice—Orion Lodge, I. O. O. F.
VonGlahn & Gibson—Good taste.
Imperial Bargain House—Great sale
Fishblate Clothing Co.—Up-to-date.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Holiday goods.
Notice—Stonewall Lodge, K. of P.
Watson's China Store-Lowest prices
Williams Bros—Bagging and ties.
National Bank of Wilmington—Statement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

P. B. Mahler—For rent.
A. S. Winstead—Notice.
H E Bonitz—Office removal.
H. H. Curran—We guarantee.
At Auction—Stock of B. F. Penny.

Saginaw was Ashore.

The STAR yesterday morning made mention of the arrival of the Clyde steamship *Saginaw* on Friday night at 10 o'clock from Georgetown, S. C She arrived here late on account of a slight accident while passing out to sea Thursday morning. She went ashore on the Georgetown bar, but conditions were favorable for getting her off and she arrived at this port in time to clear on the regular schedule yesterday afternoon for the return trip to New York.

The *Richmond* is expected in port Tuesday morning.

The Fishblate Clothing Co. had a big success at their Opening Bargain Sale in the new Temple last week, and to give everybody a chance at their Bargains they will continue their Bargain Sale. They will have additional salesmen this week so you can be waited on promptly. †

Toy Carriages and Go-Carts, together with other toys, are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Useful Xmas presents are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co. Buy there! †

COUNTERFEITING CASES IN U. S. COURT AT RALEIGH.

Nothing Definite from the Charge Against A. J. Marshall, Esq.—Wilmington Witnesses Returned Home.

Much interest was created in the city yesterday by the news from Raleigh to the counsel for A. J. Marshall, Esq., to the effect that a true bill had been found against him for counterfeiting, the circumstances of which are well known to STAR readers.

There were no new developments in the case yesterday and the attorneys are at a loss to know whether the case will be tried in Wilmington or in Raleigh. Mr. W. A. Farriss, who was summoned to Raleigh to testify before the grand jury, returned yesterday morning. He stated that after being questioned by the prosecuting attorneys as to whether he had testimony against Mr. Marshall, and finding that he had none, he was allowed to prove his attendance and return home.

Capt. J. R. Williams, agent of the Southern Express Company, who was also summoned to appear before the grand jury in the case, returned home last evening. Although a statement could not be secured from him last night, it is learned that he received permission to return home with the proviso that if he were needed the authorities would telegraph for him. Court has not yet adjourned in Raleifih.

A rumor gained currency on the streets yesterday that two other parties from Wilmington had been implicated in the counterfeiting, but a reference to the STAR'S Raleigh correspondence this morning will show that the two cases referred to are against persons in Goldsboro for counterfeiting at Dunn, Harnett county. It also states that it is probable the case will be called next week and continued to a subsequent term.

Mr. Marshall, when seen by a STAR representative late yesterday afternoon, stated that he new nothing more of the case than that recited above. He has received no notification to appear at Raleigh, and has no fears of the outcome of the case.

DEATH OF MR. CHAS. M. HARRIS.

A Well Known Citizen Passes Away After an Illness of Only a Few Days.

The numerous friends and acquaintances of Mr. Charles Montgomery Harris learned yesterday with great sorrow of his death which occurred yesterday morning at 2:30 o'clock at his residence on South Fourth street between Nun and Church streets. The deceased had an acute attack of pleuro-pneumonia and had been sick only since last Sunday when he was seized with a violent chill which lasted from 6 A. M. till 12 M.

Mr. Harris would have reached the 50th year of his age next March and was born at Montgomery, Ala. He was a son of the late Capt. Thomas M. Harris, who was a gallant Confederate soldier and who moved to Wilmington from Montgomery in 1864. His venerable mother, Mrs. Martha C. Harris, who reached the 83rd year of her age last October, survives him and resides here.

The deceased married Miss Lillie Sholar, niece of the late Capt. W. H. Sholar, of this city, and she survives him with three grown daughters, Misses Mattie, Luola and Katie Harris. He leaves four sisters and two brothers —Mrs. G. M. Altaffer, Mrs. W. S. Warrock, Mrs. E. S. Warrock and Miss Augusta M. Harris, of Wilmington, Mr. Robert L. Harris, of Raleigh, and Mr. W. G. Harris, of Birmingham, Ala. The numerous friends of the family deeply sympathise with them in their bereavement.

Mr. Harris since his residence in Wilmington has conducted a news business, in which he succeeded his father. He was a man of the most courteous manner and affable disposition, and had many warm friends who will miss him from their midst. He was a member of Stonewall Lodge No. 1, Knights of Pythias, and of Orion Lodge No. 67, I. O. O. F. Both lodges have been called out to attend the funeral which takes place this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the residence. The interment will be made at Oakdale Cemetery.

NEGRO SAWYER BADLY HURT.

Employe of Cooperage Works Lost Left Arm and Fingers of Right Hand.

"General" Barfield, colored, aged about 50 years, and employed as a laborer about the circular saw carriage of the A. H. Slocomb Cooperage and Veneer Works, on Nutt street, early yesterday afternoon, while attempting to turn a stick of timber on the carriage of the saw, in some way slipped and fell over the log in such a way that both hands and the left arm were badly lacerated and torn by the rapidly revolving saw against which he was thrown.

He was placed in an ambulance and taken immediately to the City Hospital, where Superintendent Bolles and Dr. Andrew H. Harriss examined the wounds and found it necessary to amputate the left arm just below the elbow and dress several badly lacerated places on his right hand. Three of the fingers were chopped off by the saw, leaving on the right hand only the thumb and little finger.

He was doing very well at last accounts.

Christmas is the time for coming together. Go home by the Seaboard Air Line. One and one-third fares for the round trip. †

One dollar Kid Gloves at 75 cents at Rehder's, Fourth street bridge. †

STATE CONVENTION OF N. C. BAPTISTS.

Adjourned at Asheville to Meet Next Year in Raleigh—Wilmington Delegates Returned Last Evening.

Rev. Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell, Rev. J. J. Payseur, Rev. R. H. Herring and others, who attended the Baptist State convention at Asheville the past week, returned last evening and the preachers will occupy their respective pulpits to day.

Dr. Blackwell says the convention adjourned its session last night to meet in Raleigh next year. He says there were in attendance about six hundred prominent Baptist ministers and laymen from all over the State. About $60,000 was collected for missions—State, home and foreign—and for the woman's work and orphanage.

"Education" was the key note of the convention and many interesting reports were heard as were also a number of addresses along this line. Three new collegiate schools are being provided for in Western North Carolina. The Female University at Raleigh is already over-run with 200 young ladies and arrangements are being made for the erection of additional buildings. The faculty of twenty-one professors at this growing institution will necessarily have to be increased. Four thousand dollars for industrial shops at the Thomasville Orphanage in memory of the late lamented J. H. Mills was arranged for during the sessions and the buildings will go up this year.

Two hundred orphans were cared for at this institution during the past year.

The convention was one of harmony and enthusiasm and an era of good feeling prevailed.

LEFT LEG FRACTURED.

Mr. Frank Thompson Met With a Bad Accident Yesterday Afternoon on the Steamer General Wright.

Mr. Frank Thompson, a young white man who works as a deck hand on the government stump-puller *Gen. H. C. Wright*, which is at work up the Cape Fear river, near Navassa, had the misfortune to get his left leg broken yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock. When the dredge's dipper came up with a load of mud, the chain broke and swung around against Mr. Thompson's leg, badly fracturing it about six inches above the ankle. He was brought down to the city last night at 7.30 o'clock and was given surgical attention at his home on Queen, between Sixth and Seventh streets, by Dr. F. H. Russell.

At last accounts last night Mr. Thompson was getting along very well.

TO SAVE HUSBAND'S LIFE.

Wife of the Murderer Kinsauls Here Soliciting Funds for Counsel.

The wife of the murderer Kinsauls, of Sampson county, who is confined in the New Hanover jail here for safe keeping, has been in the city for the past two days soliciting subscriptions of money with which to employ additional counsel in her husband's behalf before the new trial, which was recently granted him and which will be held late in the Winter or during the early Spring.

Mrs. Kinsauls carries in her arms, her baby, scarce over one year old, and is making a house to house canvass in the business portion of the city. The amount received thus far is not large, though she continues to work persistently.

The crime of which Kinsauls is convicted and for which he was sentenced to have been hanged November 29th, is already familiar to STAR readers. Feeling against him in Sampson is said to be very strong.

Magistrates' Courts.

Walter Thomas and H. F. Walker, two young white boys, were arraigned in Justice McGowan's court yesterday for setting fire to a fence belonging to an old negro named Enoch Alexander, who lives in the eastern section of the city. The cases were adjudged frivolous and the prosecutor was required to pay the costs. J. B. Brown, a white man, was also before Justice McGowan for an assault. He was let off with costs.

In Justice Fowler's court C. W. Edens, a workman on the new Delgado Mills, was required to give bond for his appearance at Criminal Court to answer the charge of carrying concealed weapons—a pair of metallic knucks.

Funeral of Mrs. Harper.

At noon yesterday from Prospect church, about seven miles from the city the funeral of Mrs. Henrietta Harper, whose death was announced in yesterday's STAR, was held by Rev. A. D. McClure in the presence of a large number of friends and relations. The interment was in the church burying ground and many beautiful floral tributes were laid upon the grave in testimony of the esteem and love in which the aged lady was held. The pall bearers on the sad occasion were Messrs. J. T. Foy, L. M. Foy, A. B. Dewar, N. Sidbury, B. R. Ownsby and Robert Parker.

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A SIX THOUSAND DOLLAR CHURCH.

The Plans for Brooklyn Baptist Church Adopted—It Will Be a Frame Edifice to Seat Eight Hundred People.

The building committee of the Brooklyn Baptist Church, of which Mr. J. C Gore, is chairman, has decided on the plans for the new church building to be erected on the site of the old church at Fourth and Brunswick streets. The plans which were drawn by Mr. H. E Bonitz, have been completed and bids for the erection of the building will soon be called for.

The new church is to be a frame structure and will cost about $6,000. It will front to the west and its dimensions will be 92 feet long by 62 feet six inches in width. The auditorium will be 46 feet by 66 and will have a seating capacity of 500. The floors will be slanting and the seats will be arranged in circular form. On the south side of the auditorium there will be an apartment for the infant, intermediate and Bible classes of the Sunday school, and on the east side a lecture room and study. All these rooms will be separated from the auditorium by roller partitions and when they are rolled back the whole auditorium will seat 800 people.

The church will be entered by three vestibules, two on Fourth street and one on Brunswick street. The tower and belfry will be on the northwest corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets. There will be another tower on the southwest corner. The pastor's study will be at the northeast corner of the church. The baptistry will be underneath the pulpit in the southeast corner of the auditorum, and adjoining it will be two dressing rooms for ladies and gentlemen. The church will be heated by a hot air furnace,

The church will front to the west, on the east side of Fourth street, and the design is very pretty. There will be two magnificent stained glass windows on the front and another on the Brunswick street side. A gable will front on Fourth street, and all together the church will be quite a credit to Brooklyn.

AFTERNOON MUSICAL RECITAL.

By Pupils of Miss Annie Hamme's Class at 3 30 O'clock.

A number of the pupils of Miss Annie Hamme's music class gave a delightful recital yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the studio, No. 109 North Third street. There were present many friends and quite a number of parents of those who recited; all of whom expressed much pleasure at the progress made by the students.

Following is a programme of the selections rendered:

"Klavierstuck," Mendelssohn, Miss Lois Stanley.
"Reverie," Wilson, Miss Gracie Craig.
"Hunting Song," Mendelssohn, Miss Emely Hall.
"Moonlight," Goerdella, Miss Helen Hicks.
"Mozarka," Goldbeck, Miss Isabel Belden.
"Sonata," Lichuner, Miss Atha Hicks.
"Adante," Biel, Miss Olive Quinee.
"Danse Caprice," Lomis, Miss Virginia Bailey.
"Spring Song," Mendelssohn, Miss Ida Evans
"Valse," Durand Op 83, Miss Eloise Taylor.
"Withered Flowers," Hoffaun, Miss Sarah Catlett.

HEALTH BOARD CONFERENCE.

Held Yesterday Afternoon Relative to New Scavenger Ordinance—Bids Opened.

There was a conference of a number of members of the Health Board at the office of Dr. W. D. McMillan yesterday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock relative to the letting of the privilege to do the scavenger work of the city in the several districts. At the conference were Drs. F. H. Russell, Geo. G. Thomas and W. D. McMillan. The bids for the privileges, of which there are sixteen, were opened and examined but it was the concensus of opinion that it would be best to defer the matter of acting upon them as none was in the form as required by the board. The bidders were instructed to apply to the Superintendent of Health for information as to the proper shape in which to present the bids.

It was also the prevailing opinion that the board should let no more than one district to one man.

Some of the bids were very low, it is said, one bid being only $3 for a district.

A general meeting of the board will probably be held early this week for the final disposal of the matter.

Rabid Dogs Killed.

Two dogs, supposed to be rabid, were killed in the city yesterday, both at the request of owners. The first was a large mastiff belonging to Mr. George Schnibben. He was killed at corner of Seventh and Nixon streets yesterday morning by a colored man. Policeman Woebse also was called upon to kill one on Front between Nun and Church streets. It was a small "black and tan."

Tickets on sale for the Christmas holidays by the Seaboard Air Line, December 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, also December 30th and 31st, 1899, and January 1st, 1899, good until January 4th, inclusive. †

Fur Collars and Capes. A new assortment just received at the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

The largest line of Handkerchiefs in the city are on sale at the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Silk and linen Handkerchiefs, all prices, are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co.

AN ARTESIAN WELL FOR FORT CASWELL.

Sealed Proposals Invited for Boring a Six Inch Well Through Bottom of Ocean—Well at Hilton.

Lieutenant Percy B. Bishop, quartermaster, has called for several proposals for boring a six inch artesian well at Fort Caswell. The bids will be opened December 26th. The boring of this well will be watched with interest both from a geological point of view and the prospect of securing a supply of good water right at the ocean.

The Clarendon Water Works Co.'s well at Hilton reached a depth of 1296 feet up to yesterday. The drill made a progress of about four feet the past week. Last week it passed through a soft reddish granite, but this week it struck a very hard black rock,

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. B. M. Moore, of Charlotte, was here yesterday.

— Mr. W. J. Harty, of Charlotte, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. J. W. Jenkins, of Winston, is a Sunday guest of The Orton.

— Mr. John C. Griffin, of Winston, was a guest of the Orton yesterday.

— Rev. Dr. Kieran, of Philadelphia, is in the city on a visit to Father Dennen.

— Mr. C. P. Moore, of Bannerman's, was in the city yesterday on business.

— Mr. W. C. Beasly, of Greensboro, was among last evening's arrivals in the city.

— Mr. Bruce Black, Miss Ida Black and Miss Kate Hand, of Burgaw, visited the city yesterday.

— Mr. Lee H. Battle, cashier of the Atlantic National Bank, will leave this morning for Laurel, Md., to attend the marriage of his brother, Mr. Fred G. Battle, of Durham.

— Mr. Sig C. Mayer, the well known travelling salesman of Messrs. Frank Teller & Co., the Philadelphia cigar manufacturers, arrived in the city yesterday and is stopping at The Orton.

— Chairman Franklin McNeill, of the Corporation Commission, returned to the city yesterday from Raleigh and Richmond county, having been called to the latter place on account of the sickness of his sister, Mrs. McKoy.

Utopian Literary Society.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Utopian Literary Society of the Tileston High School yesterday afternoon the following was the programme: Life of Nathaniel Hawthorne, Miss Alice Craft; Mosses from and old Manse, J. Edwin Bunting; Scarlet Letter, Miss Lucy McEachern

DIED.

HARRIS—In this city, Saturday morning at 2.30 o'clock, CHARLES M. HARRIS, aged 49 years.

The funeral will take place this (Sunday) afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, from residence, on Fourth, between Nun and Church streets. Interment in Oakdale.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Attention, Odd Fellows.

Orion Lodge No. 67, I. O. O. F. Brothers, you are hereby ordered to meet at Lodge room this (Sunday) afternoon at 1 o'clock to attend the funeral of Brother C. M. Harris. Brethren of sister Lodges invited to attend with us.
By order of Noble Grand, J. A. Orrell.
dec 10 1t L. TATE BOWDEN, Secretary.

Everything to be Sold

AT LOWEST PRICES. China Glassware and Holiday Goods of every description to be sold at lowest figures from now on until everything is closed out. You can save money. Do not make any mistake in finding Watson's China Store, No. 11 Market street, between Front and Water, directly opposite Goodman's Dry Goods store. Look for the sign "WATSON'S CHINA EMPORIUM."
dec 10 2w

A man's Furnishings indicate his good taste. Poorly selected, they spoil the effect of even the best of Clothes. Our Furnishings are all selected with the greatest care. Therefore, he is wise who trades with us. His Shirts always fit comfortably, and look well, his Ties are attractive and of the latest styles, and his Hat and Shoes are faultless in make, fit and finish.

VONGLAHN & GIBSON,
MEN'S WEAR DEPOT.
dec 10 tf No. 120 Market St.

- - CIGARS. - -
VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,
Representing Powell, Smith & Co.
We are distributors for their

El Capitan General,	10c.
Union League Club, -	10c.
Cuban Blossom, ----	5c.
Renown, ----------	5c.
Santa Bama, ------	5c.

"War Eagle," "Old Glory" and "Match It" Cheroots.

No matter how fine or how cheap a dealer's trade may be, the above brands are not to be surpassed. Give the smokers a chance at them and they will sell rapidly. There are all kinds of goods, but the brands mentioned will whip the others to death. We are also dealers in all grades

... TOBACCO ...
VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,
PROVISIONS.
dec 10 tf

LET US SUPPLY YOUR WANTS.. **NOW** IN COAL AND WOOD.

"Delays are Dangerous"

JAMES H. TAYLOR, Agent,
211 South Water street. Bell 'Phone 84.

WOOD CUT specially for Wilson Heaters.
dec 10 tf

To Close Out Business--

GREAT VALUES Still to be had

At our closing out sale. Having made disposition of the premises for the New Year, we offer until DECEMBER 31st, extraordinary Bargains, giving to the people a sale **rarely offered** at this season. We are well pleased with the rush during the week, being evidence that the public are hearing our statements are as advertised. We will say that the stock was purchased at **very low values**, it being generally well known great advances have taken place.

ENTIRE STOCK AT COST and below.

Dry Goods, Notions, Blankets, Capes, Collarettes, Mattings, Rugs, and Men's, Youths' and Children's Clothing.

We ask a call to convince yourselves that this is no sham sale. Business must be closed. Goods will be sold without reserve.

Terms, Strictly Cash. No Approbation.

IMPERIAL BARGAIN HOUSE, 18 Market St.
dec 3 9t

Watch this space Tuesday.

Your cash is what we want.

J. B. & J. C. KING.
dec 9 tf

MASONIC TEMPLE.

The "Up-To-Date" Popular Clothing House.

FISHBLATE CLOTHING COMPANY.

You will find this store the Best Place in Town to do your Buying.

ALWAYS the Best Values at this store.
ALWAYS the Most Reliable Goods Here.
ALWAYS Your Money Back When You Want It.
ALWAYS the Busiest Store in the City, because—

WE SELL THE CHEAPEST.

FISHBLATE CLOTHING COMPANY.
dec 10 2t

Holiday - - Goods

TO SUIT EVERYBODY.

Now ready for your inspection in every department. New goods are being opened every day, and special preparation is being made for the increased demand for—

COMMON SENSE . . . . CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

THE C. W. POLVOGT CO.

P. S.—Time spent at our store IS NOT LOST. Money spent is well invested.
dec 10 tf

Bagging & Ties.

Nuts, Candies, Raisins, Cocoanuts and Apples,

and a full line of

HEAVY GROCERIES.

For sale cheap by

WILLIAMS BROS.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS.
16 and 18 North Water street.
Write for Prices. dec 10 tf

MYTHS OF GREECE AND ROME.

Six scenes. One hundred and ten participants.

OPERA HOUSE
December 20 and 21.

Tickets at Gerken's; 50 cents in every part of the house. dec 10 3t

We have just received a large lot of Those Famous

Val Duttenhofer Shoes.

Spring Heel Lace, Spring Heel Button, In narrow, medium and manish toes for Misses—

Also in the latest shapes for ladies.

OUR MANISH SHOE IS ESPECIALLY MANISH.

Our line of School shoes, for Boys and Girls, is extensive, and we are

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10.

AN ELASTIC CURRENCY.

In neither the Senate nor House currency bills is there any provision made for supplying the country with the extra amount of currency it needs at times, but especially in the Fall when the crops begin to move. The only addition that either makes to the volume of paper currency is the provision which authorizes the national banks to issue notes to the par value of bonds on deposit, which if done would add about $20,000,000 to the circulation. The provision authorizing the establishment of national banks in towns of 2,000 inhabitants with a capital of $25,000 may add some more, but not much for the premium which Government bonds command will prevent the investment of much money in these for banking purposes. Practically speaking neither of these bills can be properly called a currency bill, for the aim of both is to fasten the gold standard upon the country, the provisions for more currency being simply incidentally included to divert attention from the real motive.

The trouble with most of our Republican statesmen who pose as financiers is that they have tied themselves to and feel bound to stick to the national bank system, regardless of its defects, or of its failure to meet the demands of the country, a failure for which the banks are not, but the system on which they are founded is responsible. When the bonds upon which circulation is based were below par the banks would, of course, issue all the notes called for, but when the bonds went to par and above it, and there was less profit, or no profit in note issues, then the volume was contracted, and became smaller as the premium on the notes increased. This accounts for the contraction in the volume of national bank notes and we need never expect to see this volume materially increased while United States bonds are sought for and command a premium in the open market. Congress may possibly do something to encourage the national banks to increase their note circulation, but it hasn't made a start yet.

If the financiers were as anxious to provide a bank system that would give the country an elastic, safe currency which would expand and contract automatically accordingly as there was much or little need for it, as they are to preserve and perpetuate the national bank system they could do it without trouble, for they have object lessons enough before them, and by adopting the best features of those object lessons they could build up a model banking system. To say that we cannot do what other peoples have been doing for many years, and are doing now, is to disparage the intelligence of the American people.

Canada, right across the border, has a banking system which supplies its people with all the currency they need, no matter what the demand may be, which goes back to the banks when there is no longer need of the extra issue.

Scotland has an elastic system which provides for any amount of notes that may be needed, as quickly as needed, which after serving the purpose go back to the banks. With this wisely and well balanced system there is neither a gorge nor a dearth of currency, as we frequently see in this country, when the banks of some sections are filled with money that other sections are suffering for and can't get, although they have millions upon millions of wealth in the products of their fields, factories, forests and mines.

Germany has a banking system which supplies that country with all the currency it needs without any friction, the volume being flexible enough to meet any demands upon it, and this has been one of the great agencies in the remarkable industrial development and progress of that country, which within a few decades has been transferred from an almost purely agricultural into a great manufacturing country, which it could never have become in such a short time without an abundance of currency.

France's banking system is adapted to France and supplies her people with an sufficiency of currency, the volume amounting to double as much *per capita* as the American people have who have twice as much use for money as the French have.

The fact is there is not a European Government of any respectability which has not a more efficient banking system than we have, if ours may be properly called a banking system at all.

If the financering statesmen would give some time to studying the banking systems of other countries, would quit worshipping the national banks, and free themselves from the insane fear of or prejudice against banks that have not the prefix "national" to them, they could easily devise a good banking system.

Secretary Gage has taken a deep interest in the subject of *rational*, rather than national banks, and has endeavored to do something in the way of bank reform which would utilize the bankable assets of the country to supply the currency it needs, but the statesmen have given little heed to his views. He stands alone, among the President's official family, as the advocate of banking reform, or of giving the country a more efficient banking system. He urges the importance of this in his last annual report, commenting upon which the Philadelphia *Times* says:

The operation of a modern banking system, by which otherwise unemployed accumulations of capital are made available for the employment in currency when currency is needed, and returns to the banks when the demand has passed, is so natural, so scientific and safe and so well understood everywhere but in the United States, that the superannuated cruidity of our own unscientific and inelastic currency plans is one of the marvels of the age. Yet it is scarcely probable that Congress will pay any attention at this time to even the most elementary principles which the Secretary expounds.

"If we can get the small but important measure of currency reform proposed in the caucus bill, with provision for ever so slight an adaptability in the volume of national bank notes, we shall do as well as can be expected from this Congress. The rustic distrust of banks must first be overcome by making possible the establishment of banks in agricultural sections. When people learn that a bank is simply a means of facilitating the employment of the combined capital of the community, and as they can learn the use and the advantages of banking facilities, the rural Congressman will be more ready to consider a reasonable revision of the national banking system."

The *Times*, like many others, has little hope of any relief from this Congress, but it isn't, as it seems to think, because the "rural Congressmen" are influenced by their "rural" constituencies, but because they do not want to do anything which might deprive the national banks, which are the progeny of the Republican party, of the monopoly of the paper currency which they have so long enjoyed.

THE TOBACCO GROWERS

A considerable number of the tobacco growers of this State met at Raleigh last Wednesday to discuss the situation and see if some way could not be devised to better their condition. According to the Raleigh papers there was a good deal of intelligent discussion, the sum and substance of which was that the tobacco planters should organize and fight the trust organization with counter organization. A very good suggestion as far as it goes, but one that cannot be effectively carried out for the reason that the tobacco growers are distributed over too wide an area and a sufficient number could not be enrolled in the organization to make it effective.

The tobacco growers are to all intents and purposes in the same boat with the cotton growers, or rather in a worse predicament, for tobacco is largely controlled by trusts, while cotton is not. But the area in cultivation of both has been too largely extended and the output too much increased.

While some growers make their crops pay handsomely they are the ones who give special attention to the crop, and put it on the market in a shape to invite competition in bids and bring a good price while common or average tobacco may be a drug and command little more than the actual cost of production, if so much. A small crop well cultured, well cured, and well put up for market, will pay better than a big crop slovenly handled. Any tobacco buyer or manufacturer will attest the truth of this.

A good suggestion was made by one of the speakers who urged the establishment of manufactories by the tobacco growers, who would thus reap the benefit that the buyer and manufacturer reaps. This could be done in some localities where tobacco is largely grown. Of course these planter-manufacturers would have to compete against the trusts, but if they turned out good work they could do that.

SAFE — DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP — SURE

Cures a Cough or Cold at once. Conquers Croup without fail. Is the best for Bronchitis, Grippe, Hoarseness, Whooping-Cough, and for the cure of Consumption. Mothers praise it. Doctors prescribe it. Small doses; quick, sure results.

FOR ALL LUNG TROUBLE

A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

We clip the following from the Raleigh *Post* in reference to a movement by the State Agricultural Department, in which the farmers of the State are very much interested:

"The Board of Agriculture held a rather long session yesterday, and did much business. It took a step in a new direction, a most important step, in which the farmers will find much to cause satisfaction. The board will have a survey of the State made to show the adaptability of lands to the various crops and the proper proportion of fertilizers to bring such lands to the highest production.

"The State Chemist was directed to investigate the soils of the State by chemical and physical analyses with a view to classifying and mapping them, and to make fertilizer experiments upon the typical soils. A committee consisting of Colonel Cunningham, chairman of the board; A. T. McCallum and Dr. W. R. Capehart, was appointed to act with the Commissioner of Agriculture and State Chemist in carrying out this work. Plans are partly made, and it is proposed to begin by January 1st. Perhaps only one section will be selected as the subject of next year's work. The committee met last evening to map out its work.

"Only two States in the South—Louisiana and Georgia — have already taken this important step. It will require several years for the State Chemist to complete this work, but when it is done it will not only give the Commissioner of Immigration authoritative information to work on, but will enable the Commissioner of Agriculture and the Secretary to furnish specific advice to inquiries relative to what crops can be grown on his lands and what fertilizers are required. The importance of this step cannot be overestimated."

It will be a great aid to the farmers to know just what kind of lands they have, and the right kinds and right quantities of fertilizer to use on the various crops they raise, a subject on which very few are as well informed as they should be, in consequence of which many of them spend money unnecessarily, and instead of benefitting the crops they grow injure them and injure the land upon which they are grown.

As an illustration: We have in Eastern North Carolina a number of varieties of marl all of which are more or less valuable as fertilizers, and some of them abundant. These marls are well adapted to some lands provided judiciously applied, but not adapted to others, while there is danger of using too much and injuring the land, when the proper quantity would have produced fine results. Without a land analysis the only way the farmer can tell what kind to use or how much is by tests, made by himself or others, but each one has to act for himself. With such aid as the Department of Agriculture proposes to give the farmer will have some guide and can then pursue his individual experiments to much better purpose, and with more satisfactory results.

The late John I. Blair, of New Jersey, who started life with nothing left a fortune estimated at from $30,000,000 to $60,000,000. He was the richest man in Jersey. The size of the fortune accumulated is not so remarkable as the fact that it was done by his own, unaided, honest efforts. He made most of it with iron.

The bubonic plague has reached Japan. Five cases and three deaths have been reported at Kobe, and fears are entertained that it may spread and get beyond the reach of the doctors. It is said to have been brought into the country in cotton imported from China.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— We miss one interesting point which the President forgot to include in his message. That is a statement of the number of lives that have been sacrificed on both sides in our effort to obtain possession of the islands in the far East, which "Providence has brought within our jurisdiction.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— The appointment of Secretary Hay's boy to the consulship at Pretoria is extremely offensive as a piece of favoritism. But it is worse than that. It is the intrusting of a mere child with a public post of great responsibility. The Senate ought not to permit Hay to do this thing, even if the necessities of that "gentlemen's agreement" with Chamberlain in violation of the Constitution do make it necessary for Hay to put some one at Pretoria whom he can implicity trust with unlawful secrets.—*New York World, Dem.*

—— Mr. Charles T. Yerkes of Chicago, who has lately moved to New York to enjoy his millions, is making himself noticed, at all events. A few days ago he prodded the big bulls and bears of Wall street, by saying that any man who entered Wall street to speculate was an idiot and should have a guardian, and the animals have not yet ceased to roar and bellow. When he has attracted sufficient attention to himself by stirring up the animals, he will probably be found knocking at the door of the Four Hundred.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John O iver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

Get the benefit of the cheap Christmas rates and two weeks tickets by the Seaboard Air Line. †

NOBODY KNOWS BUT MOTHER.

How many buttons are missing to day?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many playthings are strewn in her way?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many thimbles and spools has she missed?
How many burns on each fat little fist,
How many bumps to be cuddled and kissed?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many hats has she hunted today?
Nobody knows but mother.
Carelessly hiding themselves in the hay,
Nobody knows but mother.
How many handkerchiefs willfully strayed,
How many ribbons for each little maid.
How, for her care, can a mother be paid?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many muddy shoes all in a row?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many stockings to darn, do you know?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many little torn aprons to mend?
How many hours of toil must she spend?
What is the time when her day's work will end?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many lunches for Tommy and Sam?
Nobody knows but mother.
Cookies and apples and blackberry jam,
Nobody knows but mother.
Nourishing dainties for every "sweet tooth"—
Toddling Dottie or dignified Ruth,
How much love sweetens the labor, forsooth?
Nobody knows but mother.

How many cares does a mother heart know?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many joys from her mother love flow?
Nobody knows but mother.
How many prayers by each little white bed,
How many tears for her babies has she shed,
How many kisses for each curly head?
Nobody knows but mother.
—*New York Mail and Express.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mr. Travis makes the statement that about 300 convicts will next month be available for railroad work: There are now 77 at work on the Ashpole branch of the Atlantic Coast Line. The branch wants more. Other applications are made for convicts by the Raleigh & Eastern, the Tarboro brach and John Blue's road, in Moore county.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Thursday night some time Mr. Wm. Ayer stepped out of the house, either in his sleep or for some other purpose, and it is presumed suffered a stroke of apoplexy, for he was found Friday morning where he fell, almost frozen to death and in a comatose condition. At this writing (3 P. M. Friday) he has not recovered consciousness and is in a critical condition.

— Statesville *Mascot:* On Thanksgiving day as Mr. R. W. Orr's team was on its way to the brick yard in the fields below his residence, a large hawk flew down and viciously attacked the team, then lit in the road and would not budge, but attacked the team again as it approached. The driver dismounted and killed the hawk with a stick, and found that it measured six feet from tip to tip of wings.

— Greensboro *Record*: W. H. Gilbert, the man accused of defrauding a number of creditors while in business at Winston some time ago, has been caught in San Francisco and will be brought back to face the music. He was engaged in the hardware business and the charge is that he bought on a credit and sold out at low figures for cash, skipping and leaving the country, When arrested he was in the act of sailing for Japan.

— Statesville *Landmark*: Mr. B. F. Long's dog, which went mad Monday and ran amuck, has not been heard from since it disappeared in the country after Officer Karcher shot it. It is hoped and believed that it is dead. The dog bit a number of other dogs and a goat belonging to Mr. J. W. Heath. The goat and eight dogs have been killed and the police have instructions to kill all other dogs where there is any suspicion of infection.

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 11th, Monday, Com., St. Mary's, Gatesville.
December 13th, Wednesday, St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro.
December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, M. P., St. Mark's, Roxobel.
December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, E. P., Grace Church, Woodville.
December 21st, Thursday Fest, St. Thomas, St. Thomas', Windsor.
December 24th, Sunday, fourth in Advent, M. P., Advent, Williamston.
December 25th, Christmas, Grace, Plymouth.
December 31st, Sunday after Christmas, St. Thomas', Atkinson.
Holy communion at all morning services.
The children catechised when practicable.
The vestries will pleased be prepared to meet the bishop.
Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions.

— Lighten your pastor's burden all you can; take the obstacles—as many of them as you can—out of his way; stand by him loyally in word and deed; follow him even as he follows Christ; pray for him not merely with well worn phrases in public places, but heartily in secret.—*Washington Gladden.*

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

Special Christmas privileges to College Students by the Seaboard Air Line. Tickets good for three weeks if bought December 15th, at one and one-third fares for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 15th to 21st, inclusive, good until January 24th, inclusive. †

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult for each other.—*George Elliott.*

— Don't let your hatred for hypocrites cause you to be their companion through all eternity.

— Frequently the people who are most careful of the gilt on their Bibles, care least about the gold within them.

— Cultivate forbearance till your heart yields a fine crop of it. Pray for a short memory as to all unkindness.—*Spurgeon.*

— The Scriptures give four names to Christians—saints, for their holiness; believers, for their faith; brethren, for their love; desciples, for their knowledge.—*A. Fuller*

— The minister needs encouragement. He has labored long without any person uttering a syllable. You think of it perhaps, and then are tempted to leave it for some one else. Go and do it yourself. Offer your services to the minister, and see how it will gladden his heart.—*From Dawn of Day.*

— Activity is the law of life. To work was not a curse imposed upon sin. To dress and to keep the garden was the work of the innocent pair; but this law of life after transgression operated under abnormal conditions and brought pain. God is ever active In gracious work. So Christ's love, being ever active, brings its fruit of blessing wherever unbelief does not change it into a curse.

— Perfect unison of work grows out of perfect union of nature. The Jews understood the implication of Christ's word's. He did not mean to declare his imitation of the Father, but perfect union of will and purpose with him, which resulted in oneness of thought and work. In proportion as we become Godlike, we have revealed in us the will of God; so that St. John says one living in such relation to God cannot sin because he is born of God.

TWINKLINGS.

— He—"What is a flirtation?" She—"Attention without intention?"

— Teacher—"Johnny, you may define the first person." Johnny—"Adam."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— "Ah!" said the doctor, "cable car, evidently." "No," replied the ambulance man, "football."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— "Why don't you say 'How do you do' to this gentleman?" "'Cos I don't want to know how he does."—*Punch.*

— "Yes, there wasn't much variety, but we had three square meals a day." "What did you have?" "Sodcrackers."—*Chicago Herald.*

— Doubly Distasteful: "Ma, I jes' hate chrysanth'mus." "Why, Jimmy?" "'Cause I can't p-nounce 'em an' I can't spell 'em."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Master—"Name some of the most important things existing to-day which were unknown one hundred years ago." Tommy—"You and me."—*Tit Bits.*

— "I started at the bottom and climbed up," said the old gentleman. "But it's much pleasanter tobogganing," returned the spendthrift son."—*Chicago Evening Post.*

— Nonsense! Public sentiment is with the Boers! Go out among the people and you will find four dogs named Oom Paul to one named Joe Chamberlain!—*Puck.*

— Sportsman to Snobson, who hasn't brought down a single bird all day)—"Do you know Lord Peckham?" Snobson—"Oh, dear, yes. I've often shot at his house." Sportsman—"Ever hit it?"—*Tit Bits.*

— Fixing the Blame: He—"That Miss Simkins is awfully shy, isn't she?" She—"Yes. I wonder if she gets it from her mother?" He—"No; from her father, I imagine. I understand he used to be a great poker player."—*Chicago News.*

— Astronomical Observations; Inquiring Student—"Professor, can you tell me why meteoric stones always choose to fall in some remote place in the rural districts?" Professor—"I think it is because they can lie there with less liability of detection."

SUNDAY SERVICES.

There will be no services at Grace M. E. Church this morning or tonight. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M.

Services at Fifth Street M. E. Church this morning at 11 A. M., and evening at 7.15 o'clock, by Rev. E. Pearce.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass and holy communion, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon, 10:30 A. M. Vespers, sermon, 7:45 P. M.

Dr. Blackwell returned from Asheville last night and will fill the First Baptist pulpit to-day. His theme tonight will be: "If Christ should leave Wilmington, what!"

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt pastor. German service to-day at 11 A. M.; English service at 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M.

St. James' Church, second Sunday in Advent. Services: 11 A. M., morning prayer, ante-communion, sermon; 5 P. M., evening prayer. Sunday school at 3.45 P. M. Public cordially invited.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock; no service at night. Sunday school at 9:30 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

Services in St. John's Church to-day, Twenty-fifth Sunday in Advent, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy communion, 7:45 A. M.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 o'clock; evening prayer, 4:45 o'clock. Sunday school 3:30 P. M.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—347 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 28 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—1,141 bales cotton, 21 casks spirits turpentine, 121 barrels rosin, 46 barrels tar, 34 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—340 bales cotton, 19 casks spirits turpentine, 80 barrels rosin, 133 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—53 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 29 barrels rosin, 14 barrels tar, 15 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—4 bales cotton, 47 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels rosin, 349 barrels tar.

Steamer Planter—491 bales cotton.

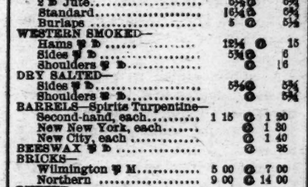
Steamer W. T. Daggett—8 barrels rosin.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—8 bales cotton, 26 casks spirits turpentine, 150 barrels rosin, 78 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 2,884 bales; spirits turpentine, 120 casks; rosin, 390 barrels; tar, 557 barrels; crude turpentine, 49 barrels.

You have been in the power house of some great plant of machinery. Did it occur to you that your body was a more wonderful machine?

In the term of a natural life the heart beats three thousand million times and with a pressure of thirteen pounds to the stroke, lifts in that time, half a million tons



of blood. What care are you taking of this wonderful machine?

Shortness of breath, buzzing in the ears, dizziness, palpitation of the heart, sleeplessness, stomach trouble, indigestion are only some of the evidences that the machinery is undergoing a strain which sooner or later will break it down.

What the lubricant is to the machine of iron, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is to the machine of flesh and blood. It reduces friction to a minimum and keeps the great organs in proper running order. It does this by healing diseases of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition, and increasing the flow of pure and healthy blood.

"I used ten bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and several vials of his 'Pleasant Pellets' a year ago this spring, and have had no trouble with indigestion since," writes Mr. W. T. Thompson, of Townsend, Broadwater Co., Montana. "Words fail to tell how thankful I am for the relief, as I had suffered so much and it seemed that the doctors could do me no good. I got down in weight to 125 pounds, and was not able to work at all. Now I weigh nearly 160 and can do a day's work on the farm. I have recommended your medicine to several, and shall always have a good word to say for Dr. Pierce and his medicines."

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets invigorate the stomach, liver and bowels. Use them with the "Discovery" when a pill is required.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	6½	@	6¾
Standard	6¼	@	6¾
Burlaps	5	@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12½	@	13
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	6
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	16
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	5¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 15	@	1 20
New New York, each		@	1 30
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	26
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	21	@	25
Northern	27	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		@	47½
Virginia Meal		@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 10
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	16	@	18
Dairy Cream		@	13
State	14	@	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	13½	@	15
Rio	7	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	17	@	18
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	4 36	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 90	@	4 00
First Patent	4 25	@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	13½	@	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	53¾
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	38	@	40
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint	10	@	12½
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	85	@	90
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	80	@	85
Western	80	@	85
North River	80	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½	@	4
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	5½	@	6
North Carolina	8	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER, (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25	@	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 50	@	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	10 00	@	10 50
Rump		@	9 50
Prime		@	9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	83	@	85
American	73	@	85
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	53½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 80	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Granu'd	5¼	@	5¾
Standard A	4¾	@	5
White Extra C		@	4¾
Extra C, Golden		@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, R. W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00	@	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50	@	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	7 00
Common Mill	5 00	@	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50	@	5 00

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WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl for strained and $1.15 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market quiet at $1.50 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36¼@36¾c; rosin firm at 97½c@$1.02½; tar firm at $1.20; crude turpentine firm at $1.30@$2.00, $2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	120
Rosin	390
Tar	557
Crude turpentine	49

Receipts same day last year.—136 casks spirits turpentine, 699 bbls rosin, 331 bbls tar, 88 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13-16 cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 3-16 " "
Low middling	6 13 16 " "
Middling	7¼ " "
Good middling	7⅝ " "

Same day last year middling 5¼c.

Receipts—2,384 bales; same day last year, 1,803.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1.05. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm; 52 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—Money on call was quoted steady at 4 @6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady; actual business in bankers' bills 486½@486¾ for demand and 481¼@481½ for sixty days. Posted rates were 482@482½ and 487½ Commercial bills 480¾. Silver certificates 59@60. Bar silver 59½. Mexican dollars 47¼. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¼; do. coupon, 109¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133½; do. coupon, 133½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 113½; do. coupon, 14; U. S. 5's, registered, 112; do. coupon, 112; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 108; Southern Railway 5's 108. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 54¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 29¾; Manhattan L 101¾; N. Y. Central 132; Reading 19½; do. 1st preferred 56; St. Paul 122; do., preferred 171; Southern Railway 12½; do. preferred 56¾; American Tobacco, 104; do. preferred 141; People's Gas 108¾; Sugar 139¾; do. preferred 117; T. C. & Iron 104; U. S. Leather 12; do. preferred 77¼; Western Union 87½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40@1 45. Spirits turpentine quiet at 50@50½c.

CHARLESTON, December 9.—Spirits turpentine firm at 47¼c; sales — casks; no receipts. Rosin firm; sales — barrels.

SAVANNAH, December 9.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 49c; sales 551 casks; receipts 889 casks; exports 38 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,485 barrels; receipts 3,401 barrels; exports 1,260 barrels; A, B, C, D, $1 10; F, $1 20; G, $1 25; H, $1 35; I, $1 35; K, $1 40; M, $1 75; N, $2 25; W G, $2 75; W W, $3 60.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—The cotton market opened steady with prices one point lower to two points higher and ruled irregular throughout the forenoon with bulls and bears in favor by turns. The scope of early fluctuations was not broad, a mere two to three points. Speculation was restricted chiefly to the settlement of small accounts and placing larger interests in shipshape order for Monday's government report. The latter will include estimated acreage this year by States and the indicated yield of lint cotton. Liverpool and New Orleans bought lightly and bulls sold. There was nothing in the regulation news to warrant a decided move either way. The cables and crop movement no more than met expectations, the *Chronicle's* review was devoid of influence and the situation generally unchanged. The market for futures closed firm at a general rise of seven to ten points, having advanced sharply at the close on a sudden scare of room shorts.

NEW YORK, December 8.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 7 7-16c.

Cotton futures closed firm: December 7.35, January 7.40, February 7.45, March 7.50, April 7.51, May 7.53, June 7.54, July 7.55, August 7.52, September 7.12, October 7.00, November 6.96.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 7 11-16c; middling gulf 7 15-16; s

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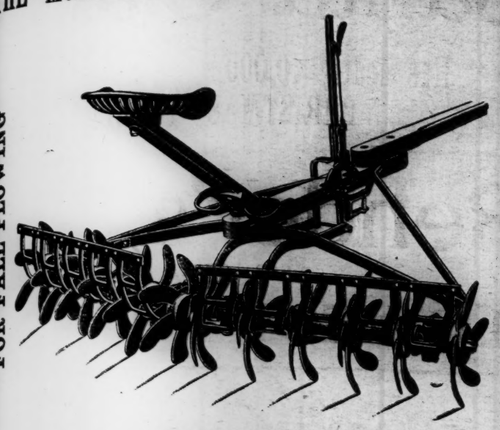

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Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 8:24 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 M., Richmond 9:00 P M., Portsmouth 8:45 M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:12 A. M., Ruther Fordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M., Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:40 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

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Deposits Nov. 7th, $813,335.18, every dollar of which is secured by Two Dollars, as follows:

ASSETS.

Cash in vault and in other banks	$368,830 50
Secured loans and discounts	293 349.72
U. S bonds and other cash assets	16 850.00
Stockho'ders' liability	300 000.00
	$768,030.22

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Atlantic National Bank,

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At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 858,971.54
Overdrafts		8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 79,160.98	
Due from other banks	169.160.99	
Cash on hand	79,831.51—327,653 78	
Total		$1,292,233.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	101,784.40
Circulation	41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$ 50,000.00
Deposits from Banks	207,693.85
Deposits from Individuals	731,716.16
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00—1,024,408.71
Total	$1,292,233.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec. 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,024,000
Surplus and net profits	76,200	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

☞ Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1892. dec 8 tf

SUPERSTITIONS.

They Sometimes Cause One a Lot of Trouble.

"These homely old superstitions we have all heard since childhood are very mysterious things," said the recording secretary of the New Orleans Ananias club. "Take the one, for instance, about finding pins. Last week a friend of mine who is rather portly saw a pin lying on the sidewalk. He didn't want to pick it up, but was afraid to pass it for fear of bad luck, so he stooped over slowly and painfully.

"As he did so he burst a pair of $2 silk suspenders and ripped a pair of $9 trousers. At the same time his $6 gold eyeglasses fell off and smashed all to pieces, but he got the pin and raised up suddenly, being mad, just in time to bring the back of his head in contact with a piece of scantling which a carpenter was carrying along the pavement.

"The concussion raised a bump as big as a goose egg and knocked off his new white alpine hat, which rolled into the gutter and was ruined. Nevertheless he still hung on to the pin and stuck it under the lapel of his coat. In taking off the garment at his office he scratched himself on the back of the hand with the point, and a couple of days later inflammation set in.

"You see the confounded pin was brass and probably covered with germs. Anyhow, his hand swelled up until it looked like a ham, and he hasn't been able to use it yet. As he happens to be a bookkeeper, the thing has already knocked him out of a week's work and may lose him his job. The worst of it is, he doesn't dare to throw away the pin for fear of having bad luck. These old superstitions are certainly very curious—very curious indeed."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Extraordinary Resemblance.

It was the morning after their arrival at the seashore, and she had her little boy with her on the porch of the hotel.

"What a dear little fellow!" exclaimed the new acquaintance, who wanted to make herself agreeable. "So like his father too."

"Do you think so?" asked the proud mother.

"Oh, yes, indeed!" was the reply. "I noticed the resemblance in a minute."

"You've met his father, then?" said the proud mother inquiringly.

"I saw your husband when you all arrived last night."

"This is my second husband," returned the proud mother somewhat coldly. "My little boy's father is dead."

And the new acquaintance said "Oh!" She would have liked to say something else, but she couldn't think of anything appropriate to the occasion.—Chicago Post.

Domestic Science.

The neighbors were naturally interested in the scientific parent.

"Why," they asked this person one day, "do you always give your son chloroform when you administer corporal punishment to him?"

First, of course, the scientific parent laughed heartily at their ignorance and simplicity. This done, he said:

"I wish to bring him up not to know when he is licked."

As the boy, so the man; we all know that.—Detroit Journal.

A Gift to Dewey.

An old Georgia lady who enjoys knitting socks for the soldiers, in sending a pair to Admiral Dewey, wrote:

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Diversions of the City Room.

Reporter—The name of that man on the west side who was struck by lightning is Brzinslatowskiwics.

Assistant City Editor—What was his name before he was struck by lightning?—Chicago Tribune.

Heading Him Off.

First Man—Why did you ask Blibbs just now to lend you 5 shillings? You had plenty of money this morning.

Second Man—I have plenty now, but I knew Blibbs was going to ask me for some.—Tit-Bits.

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Dated this 18th November, 1899.

GEORGE P. TAYLOR,
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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 10-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc. All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

Farm of 143 Acres

in Long Creek village, Pender county—95 acres cleared, balance well timbered. Four acres in strawberries, 2 acres in apple trees. Fine grape vine. Large two-story house. One good New Store House. All necessary out houses. Two tenant houses. Two miles from Montague, a station on Atlantic and Yadkin Railroad; sixteen miles from Wilmington. Fertile land, in a high state of cultivation. A bargain for somebody.

2,000 Acres of Land

in New Hanover county on navigable stream; borders tide water. Three clearings on place—one of 25 acres with house and outbuildings on same; two of 30 acres each; balance well timbered. Twelve miles from Wilmington. Four miles from Castle Hayne, a station on the W. & W. R. R. The nearest point of the land to the Newbern railroad is two miles.

House in Kenansville.

One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

Fifty Acres of Land

One-half mile from South Washington, on the W. & W. R. R., in Pender county. Borders on county roads. Very valuable for trucking.

Property in Burgaw.

Four good Building Lots in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-half acre each.

One neat three-room House in town of Burgaw, on lot consisting of one and one-half acres. All set out in strawberries except garden and yard.

A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

Tobacco and Truck Farm

Containing 265 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in profitic grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 500 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

A Real Bargain.

A desirable farm of 272 acres, three miles east of Rose Hill. Fifty acres cleared and in good state of cultivation, balance well timbered. Four-room house on premises. In good neighborhood. Will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington.

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One hundred and fifty acres two miles from Ashton, four miles from Burgaw. Four acres cleared, most of which is very fertile low land. Balance well timbered for farming purposes. Two tenant houses.

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 26 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 18 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 26 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 00 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 50 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46		No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 35 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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Schedule In Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 53 A. M., Goldsboro 12.35 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.33 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5 55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M Weldon 1.00 A. M.,†Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.35 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.36 P. M.

DAILY 49,40 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 38 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.31 P. M., †Norfolk 3.30 P. M., Weldon 8.52 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 6.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.55 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M.] No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M.; Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6'40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.45 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Trains leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.43 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Trains between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 06 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 5.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.53 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M. 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.58 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 5.55 P. M., Nashville 11.32 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M. arrive Latta 10.36 A. M., Dillon 10.52 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.18 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 6.34 A. M. Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M., 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.16 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.08 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 8.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.39 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.25 P. M., arrive Selma 2.43 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.08 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.31 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M. Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 3.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.32 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. 2 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	GOING WEST. 4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 57	9 00
7 03	7 07	Morehead City.	7 32	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.38 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 2 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 10.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Proceedings at Yesterday's Session—Newbern Selected as the Next Place of Meeting.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, N. C., December 9.—The third day's session of the North Carolina Conference opened with devotional services conducted by Rev. J. E. Underwood.

Rev. J. D. McAlister, of Tennessee, and Rev. J. W. Potter, of Georgia, were received by transfer. The characters of nearly all preachers passed. Reported that the Goldsboro church will give five hundred dollars to our new orphanage on Thanksgiving day. Committee on Sabbath observance was appointed by the Bishop.

Wilmington and Newbern were put in nomination for the meeting of the next conference. Newbern was selected.

The Conference agreed to take $2,000 stock in the Raleigh Christian Advocate. A stirring address for support of the paper by preachers and laymen was made by Dr. T. N. Ivey.

Bishop Hendrix made a strong appeal for the 20th century fund, and $3,300 was raised immediately. Much more will also be raised.

An able address was made by the Bishop to-night on missions. The weather is delightful. Conference is well entertained.

AN UNQUALIFIED ENDORSEMENT.

Of Fadettes Woman's Orchestra by Management of Macon Academy of Music.

Of the Fadettes Woman's Orchestra, which appears in the Star Course of entertainments at the Y. M. C. A. Thursday of next week, Manager H. Horne, of the Macon Academy of Music, writes Manager W. L. Latta as follows:

"The Fadettes gave a matinee and night performance at the Academy this date, (Dec. 6th), which was of their usual high order and unusual merit. Each of the concerts was greatly enjoyed and the entire programme was listened to with appreciating attention. The company is deserving of a large audience and gives one of the best musical entertainments that it has been the pleasure of a Macon audience to enjoy."

Buried Treasure.

Mr. W. A. Whitehead showed a STAR representative yesterday a rare old British gold coin that was ploughed up by a colored boy on Mr. Jake Horne's place, on Masonboro Sound, seven miles from the city. The coin is about the size of a United States five dollar gold piece, and is probably a sovereign, although its denomination is not on its face.

On the rim on one side of the coin are the words Georgus III, with the British coat of arms in the centre. On the rim of the other side is the date 1791, and the letters "M. B. F. et H. Rex F. D. B. et L. D. S. R. I. A. T. et E."

How did the coin happen to be lying loose around on the Sound? Probably it had been buried, and perhaps there is more there. The British consul, Sir Elward Paschal, just after the Revolutionary war, resided on the sound, and in all probability his home was on the land now owned by Mr. Horne.

There is a tradition that the hidden treasure of Captain Kidd, a notorious pirate, is buried on this coast, and seekers after it have dug many holes at various times for a hundred or more years along Masonboro and Wrightsville Sounds. A few years ago somebody came very nearly digging up the Hammocks. The British coin, however, came from the mint long after Captain Kidd's day.

The Delgado Mills.

Mr. E. S. Cline, constructing engineer for the Heine's Safety Boiler Company, of St. Louis, Mo., who is here having the battery of boilers put in at the Delgado Cotton Mills, got the connections completed yesterday and got up a hundred and fifty pounds of steam.

The boilers will not only furnish steam to run the factory but to heat the buildings. Mr. J. B. Page is here fitting the building with steam pipes. Messrs. Bowles & Warwick, of Richmond, Va., have the contract for this part of the work.

The Southern Electric Company, of Charlotte, N. C., has the contract for installing the electric lighting plant. Mr. William Arndt, of Charlotte, is here wiring the factory for five hundred incandescent lights. The factory will have its own dynamo.

Schubert Hall Recital.

The piano recital by Miss Cannie Chasten's pupil yesterday afternoon passed off very successfully. The following was the programmee:

Prelude and Fugue in C, (Bach)—James C. Craft.

Allegretto, (Gurlitt)—Miss Lucy Baldwin.

Idyle, (Rheinberger)—Miss Carrie May VouGlahn.

Melody in G, (Kohler)—Harry Solomon, pupil of Miss Marcella Shrier.

Etude in A minor, (Dennee)—Miss May Muse.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest Pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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BRITISH MOVING ON COLESBURG.

The Boers Report an Attack on Gen. Cronje's Forces Near Schaltz Nek.

FIGHTING AT LADYSMITH.

British Troops Made a Sortie and Destroyed Boers' Artillery—A Burgher Column Moving to Attack Relief Expedition from Estcourt.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 9.—A special dispatch from Pretoria, dated Friday, December 8th, says 3,000 British troops, preceded by an armored train, are advancing on Colesburg from Naauport.

A dispatch from Pretoria dated today says:

Reports have been received here of fighting early this morning in the vicinity of Schaltz Nek, the British attacking General Cronje. Fighting is also reported to have occurred in the direction of Kimberley. It is presumed by another sortie. The Dutch-German ambulance corps have been enthusiastically received and will be divided between Natal and the Free State frontier.

Fighting at Ladysmith.

BOER HEAD LAAGER, LADYSMITH, December 5.—The British troops made a sortie between 1 and 2 o'clock in the morning. They crawled up a ravine and stormed and carried Lombard's Kop, which was held by the Boers and on which were placed a Crousot gun and a howitzer. These guns were destroyed with dynamite. The British captured a Maxim gun and then retired.

The Lancers, Hussars and Guards made a sortie west of Ladysmith at daybreak under cover of a heavy artillery fire, which the Boers returned briskly. The British afterwards returned to Ladysmith. The Boer losses are reported to have been slight.

A strong Burgher column has crossed the Tugela river at Colenso, with the object of attacking the British Estcourt column.

Gen. Gatacre's Forces.

CAPE TOWN, December 7.—A hundred men of the Naval brigade proceeded to the front to-night.

It is known that the Boers have cross cut the ends of their Mauser bullets, thus producing an effect similar to the dumdums. Halse and Warren and thirty men left the camp at Carnavon to-day and when four miles out sighted a patrol of twelve Boers who sought cover. Two of the Boers were wounded. Halse ascertained that the Boers were in strong force in a laager and retired to his base. This is the first brush of General Gatacre's forces and they are all eager to follow it up.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Initial Steps Taken for Unification of Various Railroads of the System at a Meeting in Raleigh.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 9.—The initial steps providing for the unification of the Seaboard Air Line system were taken at the general meeting of the stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company, held in Raleigh to-day. Resolutions were passed looking to the early absorption by the Raleigh and Gaston of the following roads: The Raleigh and Augusta Air Line, the Durham and Northern, the Roanoke and Tar River, the Louisburg, the Pittsboro, the Carolina Central, the Palmetto, the Chesterfield and Kershaw, the Georgia, Carolina and Northern, the Logansville and Lawrenceville, the Seaboard Air Line Belt railroad, and other allied lines. The terms of acquisition are to be arranged by the directors, who are to make their report to an adjourned meeting of the stockholders, to be held in Raleigh on the 31st inst.

The proceedings of the meeting were almost unanimous, ninety-nine and eight-tenths per cent. of the entire stock voting in favor of the plan. Among those present at to-day's meeting were President Williams, Vice President and General Manager St. John, Directors Hoffman, Middendorfer, Blackford, Johnson, and Stronach, General council Hon. Leigh R. Watts and Judge Cross, of the well known law firm of Cowen, Cross and Bond, of Baltimore, counsel for the consolidation committee.

Judge Watts and Judge Cross both expressed themselves as highly pleased with the progress made to-day. President Williams says that the situation is extremely satisfactory and that there is nothing now that can materially interfere with the consummation of their plans for the operation as one system of the eighteen separate railroads which will constitute the greater Seaboard, whose lines will reach from Washington and Norfolk on the northeast, to Jacksonville, Tampa, Tallahassee, Montgomery and Atlanta in the south and southwest.

THE CATTLE QUARANTINE.

Order by the Department of Agriculture to Take Effect January 1st.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The annual quarantine order against the area where the splenetic or Southern (Texas) fever exists among cattle will be issued shortly by the Department of Agriculture to take effect January 1st. The order will be substantially like that of the last year. The quarantine will embrace all the States of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Arkansas, Indian Territory and parts of the States of North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Oklahoma and California. The boundary lines may be modified slightly later where the co operation of State authorities may justify it.

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PRODUCTION OF COTTON.

Report of the Statistician of the Department of Agriculture for the Year Ended August 31, 1899.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The final report of the statistician of the Department of Agriculture on the acreage and production of cotton in the United States for the year ended August 31st, 1899, is ready for the press. It shows the acreage in the principal States to have been as follows:

North Carolina 1,311,708, South Carolina 2 353,213, Georgia 3,535,205, Alabama 3,003,176, Mississippi 2,900,298, Louisiana 1,261,691, Texas 6,991,904, Arkansas 1,876,467.467, Tennessee 896,722, Oklahoma 215,893, Indian Territory 314,906, Sundry 286,112, making a total of 24,967,295 acres.

The production in gross bales was as follows: North Carolina 629,520, South Carolina 1,035,414, Georgia 1,378,713, Alabama 1,176,042, Mississippi 1,247.128, Louisiana 717.747, Texas 3,363,109, Arkansas 918 469, Tennessee 322 820 Oklahoma 108,026, Indian Territory 207,838, Sundry 82,261; making a total of 11,189 205 bales, an increase of 291.348, bales over the preceeding year. Of the total crop 11,121 414 bales were upland, averaging 515 pounds per bale, gross weight, and 67,791 bales were sea island, averaging 396 pounds per bale, gross weight. The average production per acre was .448 of a bale

The estimate of production is based mainly on official statements of the movement of cotton from the plantation, to points of shipment or consumption, on returns made by officials of cotton mills, and on reports of special agents.

The estimate of acreage is based mainly on reports of special agents. The total value of the crop, estimated on the basis of the average prices during the first six months of the cotton year at the various large markets nearest to the different centers of production, was $305, 467,041, the average price per pound being 5.27 cents for upland and 14 cents for sea island.

The telegraphic reports to be issued on Monday, December 11, at noon, will relate to the present year, 1899 1900, and will comprise an estimate of the acreage, by States, and the indicated yield of lint cotton per acre.

KENTUCKY ELECTION CASE.

Taylor Received the Certificate and Declared to Be the Governor-Elect.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., December 6.—At 9:45 this morning the election certificate of William S. Taylor was signed by the election commissioners and he was declared to be Governor elect of Kentucky. The official figures of the vote filed with Secretary of State Finley, are: Taylor, 193,714; Goebel, 191.331. Taylor's plurality, 2,383.

Commissioner Poyntz declined to sign the Republican certificates of election, saying that he stood by the opinion he had rendered and could not consistently do so. He consented to sign the certificates of the railroad commissioners, however.

Former Senator Blackburn, as chairman of the Goebel State Campaign Committee, issued a call to-night for a meeting of the committee here next Thursday, December 14th.

Chairman Allie W. Young also issued a call for a meeting of the State Central and State Executive Committees here on the same day. The call does not state in either case what the object of the conference is, but it is known that the purpose is to give official party endorsement to contests which shall be made by Goebel and the candidates on the defeated Democratic tickets. Goebel and Blackburn received many telegrams from Democrats, over the State, urging contests, and it is said mass meetings will be held in various counties next week for the purpose of working up sentiment on the subject.

THE FLORIDA CENTRAL.

Unable to Make Traffic Arrangements for Through Service.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., Dec 9.—There has been much speculation respecting the arrangements that would be made by which the Florida Central and Peninsula railway might continue its through service between Florida and Washington, following the severance of relations between the Southern and the F. C. & P., which latter has become a part of the Seaboard system It transpired to day that satisfactory arrangements had not been made with either the Southern or the Atlantic Coast Line for a through service, necessitating the suspension by the F. C. & P. of its through trains until such time as the Seaboard system can complete its connecting link of track between Cheraw, S. C., and Columbia. The F. C. & P. trains, however, will make close connection with the Southern at Columbia. The Columbia-Cheraw link is nearing completion, when through trains to Washington will be resumed.

MISSISSIPPI TRAGEDY.

Duel at Greenville Between Two Prominent Men—Both Were Killed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

GREENVILLE, MISS., December 9.—A duel was fought here to-day which resulted in the instant death of J. C. Connerly, a lawyer of Lakevillage, Ark., and Alfred B. Duncan, general manager of the Read Leaf plantation and stores, who lived near Sunnyside, Ark. The tragedy is said to have been the result of a business misunderstanding. Both men were prominent in the district in which they resided. Connerly received six bullets in different parts of his body while Duncan was struck but once—a load of buckshot in the left breast.

The Danish government has made another effort to sell the Danish West Indies to the United States. The proposition was laid before the State Department by a representative of the Danish government and the matter is now under consideration. The price asked for the islands is $3,000,000.

Fire totally destroyed the Welling mansion in Washington, D. C. The loss upon the residence was $60,000 and on the contents about $50,000. Dr. L. H. French occupied the residence, and, with his servants, escaped from the building just as the roof fell in.

Buy your Christmas presents at the C. W. Polvogt Co. They have a large assortment to select from. †

Toy Carriages and Go-Carts, together with other toys, are shown by the C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Read the advertisement of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency in this issue of the STAR. It offers for sale some very valuable farms, †

AN EXPLOSION OF COAL DAMP.

In a Mine Belonging to the Southern Pacific Railway Company.

EIGHTY MEN WERE KILLED.

The Explosion Occurred Just As the Men Were Leaving the Shaft—Terrible Scenes at the Mouth of the Pit—The Damage Great.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TACOMA, WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—At 1.30 this afternoon a brief telegram received in this city from Carbonado, a mining town 40 miles from this city, says sixty or more miners were killed by an explosion of coal damp in a mine belonging to the Southern Pacific Railway Company.

The explosion occurred just as the men were preparing to leave the shaft at noon. About eighty men were in the mine at the time. As the mine filled with fire damp at once, it is supposed all are dead. Several hours elapsed before efforts could be made to enter the mine. The surviving relatives at once flocked around the shaft, creating a terrible scene with their loud lamentations. The mines are owned by the Carbon Hill Coal Company. They gave work to four hundred men and had an output of 300,000 tons annually.

MAJ. MARCH'S BATTALION.

Still Pursuing the Filipinos—Killed Gen. Del Pilar in a Fight With Aguinaldo's Body Guard.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Dec. 9.—General Gregorio del Pilar, commanding Aguinaldo's body guard, was killed by Major Peyton C. March's battalion of the Thirty-third infantry, in a fight thirteen miles northwest of Carvantes, December 3rd. According to reports which General Young obtained from escaped Spanish prisoners at Vigan several days ago, Major March left the coast, where he was pursuing Aguinaldo, and encountered General del Pilar on the fortified trail. They fought for four hours, during which time several Filipinos were killed or wounded. The American loss was one man killed and six wounded.

The Spaniards report that Major March is still pursuing the insurgents. Del Pilar was one of the leaders of the present and of the anti Spanish revolution. He was a mere youth and was reported to have graduated at an European university. Professor Schurman met him as a member of the first peace commission and rated him as remarkably clever.

The Americans have occupied Bangued, province of Abra. General Grant's expedition has visited Orani and several western towns, meeting small bands. He killed several of the rebels and captured a considerable quantity of munitions of war.

Bishop Henry C. Potter, of New York, has arrived here on a brief visit, to study the Philippines.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD.

An Alleged Spurious Dispensation from Atlanta Headquarters.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., December 9.—Many circulars have been sent throughout the Southern jurisdiction, Woodmen of the World, which comprises seventeen Southern States, from its headquarters in Atlanta, inviting applications for admission at the rate of two dollars each, with an additional fee of two dollars to the camp physician. A circular from the Sovereign headquarters at Omaha is also being sent broadcast, pronouncing the Atlanta headquarters' offer a spurious dispensation, and stating that initiation fees cannot be less than ten dollars, the regular fee of the order.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Pope, who it was announced a few days was suffering from a heavy cold and experienced some difficulty in breathing, has completely recovered his usual health.

The physician attending Captain E. P. Wood and Lieutenant Brumby, reports the condition of both officers to be as favorable as can be expected at the present stage of typhoid fever.

The U. S. cruiser Detroit has sailed from Colon to Santa Marta, a point on the coast of Colombia, about fifty miles east of Carthagena, to look after the interests of United States citizens.

C. M. Harper, the Pinners Point real estate man, who yesterday shot and killed David Ross, was yesterday bailed in the sum of $5,000 to await the action of the grand jury, leading citizens going upon his bond.

Herschel V. Johnson, postmaster at Claxton, Ga., was arrested yesterday and brought before a United States Commissioner on the charge of embezzelling postal money order funds of his office. He gave bond.

F. M. Holliday, a farmer, living a few miles from Jefferson, Ga., was brutally murdered yesterday. He was 65 years old and a bachelor. Robbery was the motive. A searching party has been organized.

Charles Eide, a prominent lawyer of Syracuse, N. Y., died in Jacksonville, Fla., of Bright's disease, aged 48 years. He was a 32d degree Mason and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of New York.

Allen Fuller, the negro who has been under arrest in Macon, Ga., several days, under suspicion of complicity in the disappearance of Mrs. Eugenia Pottle of that city, was brought to Atlanta late last night for safe keeping.

Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, the long distance champion rider of the world, and Frank Waller, the Dutchman, won the six-day bicycle race which began at midnight last Sunday at Madison Square Garden, with 2,733 2-5 miles to their credit.

Mr. A. J. Sadlee, living near Punta Gorda, Fla., was shot from ambush Wednesday night and instantly killed. Sadlee had lately secured indictments for cattle stealing against some of his neighbors and it is thought revenge prompted the murder.

A the preliminary examination of Bartow Warren, charged with robbing the express train on the Southern railway near Branchville, S. C., of $1,700 on December 1st, he was held for trial and sent to jail in default of $800 bail.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, decrease $1,677,175; loans, decrease $695,500; specie, decrease $1,345,400; legal tenders, decrease $2,379,900; deposits, decrease $3,992,500; circulation, decrease $69,600. The banks now hold $6,859.525 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

WILL GREATLY CRIPPLE THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

Attorney General Walzer Says the State Superintendent Must Recognize the Old Fusion Boards.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., December 9.—The Supreme Court recently decided that the new school law under which county boards of school directors were chosen is unconstitutional. State Superintendent Mebane being uncertain as to how he should proceed under this decision, asked the opinion of Attorney General Walzer. To-day the Attorney General gave his opinion, holding that the State Superintendent must recognize the Fusion county boards in all cases, whether they have given up their office or not. He says: "It now becomes your duty, under the decisions of the Supreme Court in the school cases, to give effect only to Section 6, Chapter 108, Acts of 1897, and to recognize the officers therein named and those elected by them, but in other respects to go forward with the great school work under the act of 1890. The old boards were very properly advised by you to retire and in the main did so. In the light of the decisions herein referred to I have no doubt that the new boards will likewise take your advice."

The Fusion boards had given up before the Supreme Court rendered its decision in all but about ten counties, and had been succeeded by boards elected under the new law. Now those new boards, if Walzer's opinion is law, must get out and let the old Fusion boards come back. Superintendent Mebane has not decided yet as to what he will do in the matter. These frequent changes he thinks, will greatly cripple the school system of the State.

To-day the Legislative journals of 1782, 1783 and 1784, which have been missing so long, were found in the Secretary of State's office, marked 1872, 1873 and 1874. This mistake has caused much trouble.

Indictments for Counterfeiting.

A true bill has been found by the grand jury in the Federal court against A. J. Marshall, attorney, at Wilmington, for counterfeiting. Marshall is under $5,000 bond, and the case will be called for trial here next week. It is probable, however, that a continuance will be granted. Fab H. Busbee, of this city, is his attorney. He notified Marshall yesterday of the grand jury's action.

True bills have also been found against two men from Goldsboro for counterfeiting at Dunn, in Harnett county. They are not in the same bill with Marshall.

FATAL SHOOTING.

Sensational Affair at the Bicycle Race in Madison Square, New York City.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 9.—An hour after the big bicycle race ended in Madison Square to night, and during the excitement attending a fifteen-mile pursuit race, Frederick S. Slater, of Rahway, N. J., seated in one of the lower boxes, was shot and mortally wounded by Walter Rosser, 19 years old, a medical student from Stevenson, Ala., living in this city. The shooting occurred as the result of a quarrel over a bet the men had made on the result of the six-day race. Slater was taken to Bellevue hospital. He was shot in the left breast and it stated there that he cannot live.

There were eleven thousand or twelve thousand persons in the big amphitheatre at the time, and some of these rushed at Rosser. Two hundred policemen charged through the mob with drawn clubs, and, surrounding Rosser, hurried him through the crowd. Rosser was intoxicated.

THE CASE OF ROBERTS.

House Investigating Committee Gave the Accused a Hearing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The consideration of the case of Mr. Roberts, of Utah, was resumed at 10 o'clock this morning, by the House investigating committee, Mr. Roberts being present to plead to certain specific interrogatories which had been framed. The proceedings continued to be behind closed doors. Mr. Roberts was first asked if he conceded the existence of the court record wherein he pleaded guilty, in 1889, under the Edmunds Tucker law? This he conceded. He was next asked whether about 1889, or since 1890, he had married plural wives and had lived in polygamous relations in violation of law? To the whole of this charge Roberts pleaded not guilty, and then demurred to the jurisdiction of the committee.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEMPHIS, TENN., December 9.—It is stated here that all of the big cotton gin manufacturing concerns of the country will form a combination, or have already formed one. Among the concerns which are said to have entered the combine are the Munger Company, of Texas, the largest in the world; the Northington-Munger-Pratt Gin Company, of Birmingham, Ala., and the Daniel Pratt Gin Company, of Prattsville, Ala.

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Christmas is almost here, and you ought to have your share. The only way for you to have it is to have some of those fine Photos that they are making at the Star studio at a special rate this month Think of it, three different styles and four Pictures of each kind for only $2 00. Come and see if the only way for you to realize the bargains we are giving our hundreds of customers, and we guarantee that every one of them is highly pleased. Yours for the best work and the lowest prices. Star studio, 116 Market street. dec 9 tf

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Dr. Galloway has moved his office from his residence to room No 11, Masonic Temple. Practice limited to Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. dec 3 1w*

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My mamma has promised to buy me a nice Cloak, and I have seen one that came from the Racket at $2 48, just like the one I want, and a Fur Collarette at $1 75 and $2 00. Some very nice ones at $4 00 and $5 00, with the Capes and Fur and Heads and Tails on it. And if my mamma will, I shall ask her to buy me some good everyday Dress Goods. Nice pretty patterns in them. Plaid remnants in 10 to 20 yard pieces at 6c. A nice new one-half Wool Dress Goods, Rough Finish, at 12½c and 15c. A splendid Plaid, bright and pretty, at 29c.

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